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Presidential Memo

Memorandum for the General in the Field

Subject: WORLD WAR HULK

General Ross,

I'll make this quick.

In direct response to the imminent threat brought upon by the Hulk and his alien soldiers, I hereby exercise the power given to this office in Article II, Section 2 of the Constitution of the United States, and consign all control of this country's military armed forces to General Thaddeus Ross, to be used against the immediate threat to national security.

Give him hell, General.

~~BLACK DOLT~~

~~SENTRY~~

~~SPIDERMAN~~

~~MC MARVEL~~

~~DOCTOR STRANGE~~

~~IRON MAN~~

~~STORM~~

~~ARES~~

~~STE HULK~~

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~~HUMAN TORCH~~

~~WONDER MAN~~

~~RONIN~~

~~MR. FANTASTIC~~

~~THING~~

~~DOC SAMSON~~

~~IRON FIST~~

~~INVISIBLE WOMAN~~

~~ECHO~~

~~LUKE CAGE~~

The President of the United States



NEW YORK CITY.

THAT'S IT, GENERAL ROSS. THE HULK'S TAKEN OUT THE AVENGERS AND THE FANTASTIC FOUR.



ALL RIGHT. IT'S OUR GAME NOW. MOVE 'EM IN.

YES, SIR.

THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE, SIR. WE'RE GETTING REPORTS ABOUT CIVILIANS. AT LEAST A HUNDRED HAVE SNUCK INTO THE CITY. THEY SEEM TO THINK THE HULK IS SOME KIND OF HERO.



THEY NEVER LEARN, DO THEY?



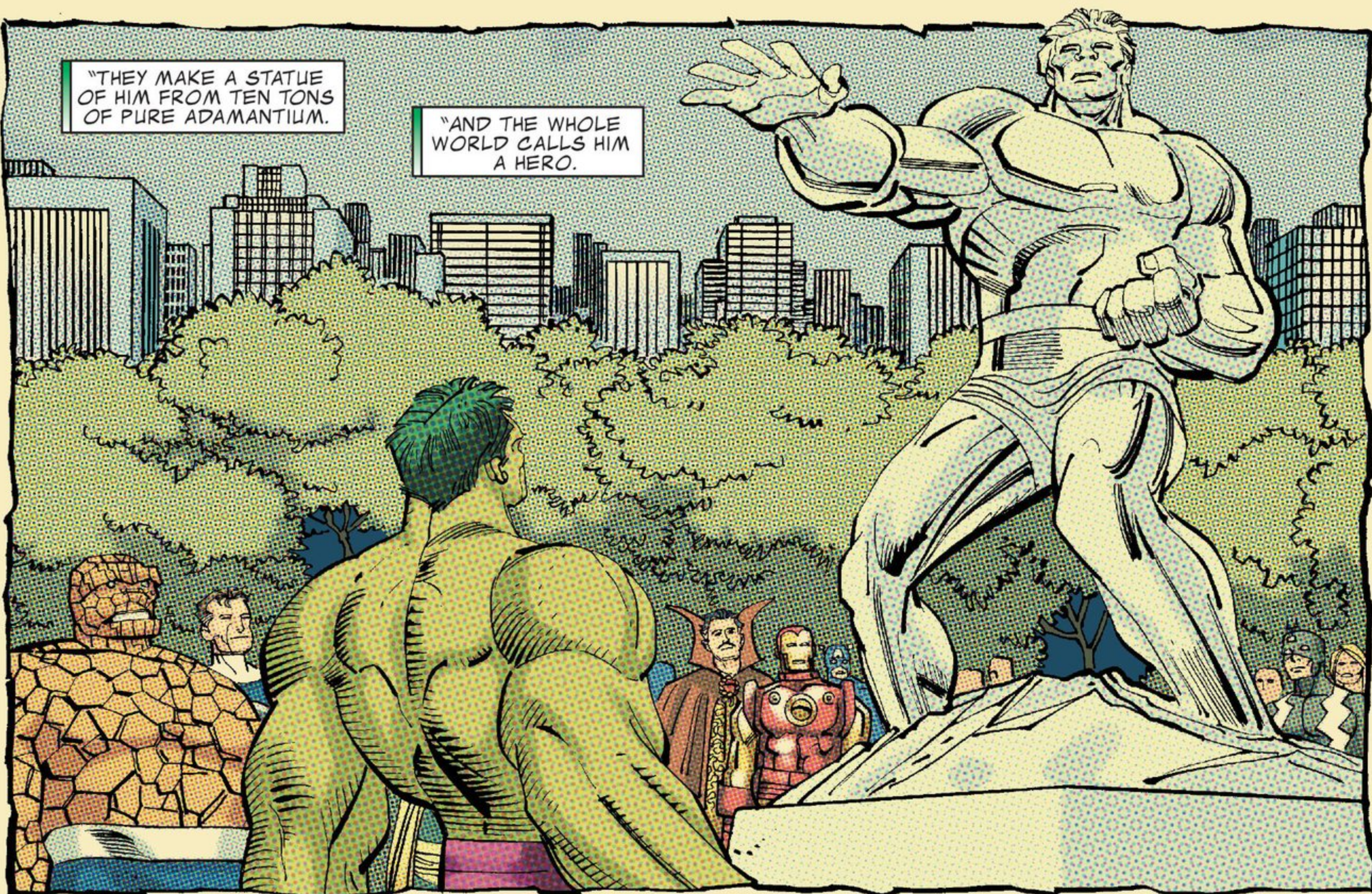
SIR?

HAPPENS EVERY FEW YEARS. I REMEMBER THE LAST TIME.

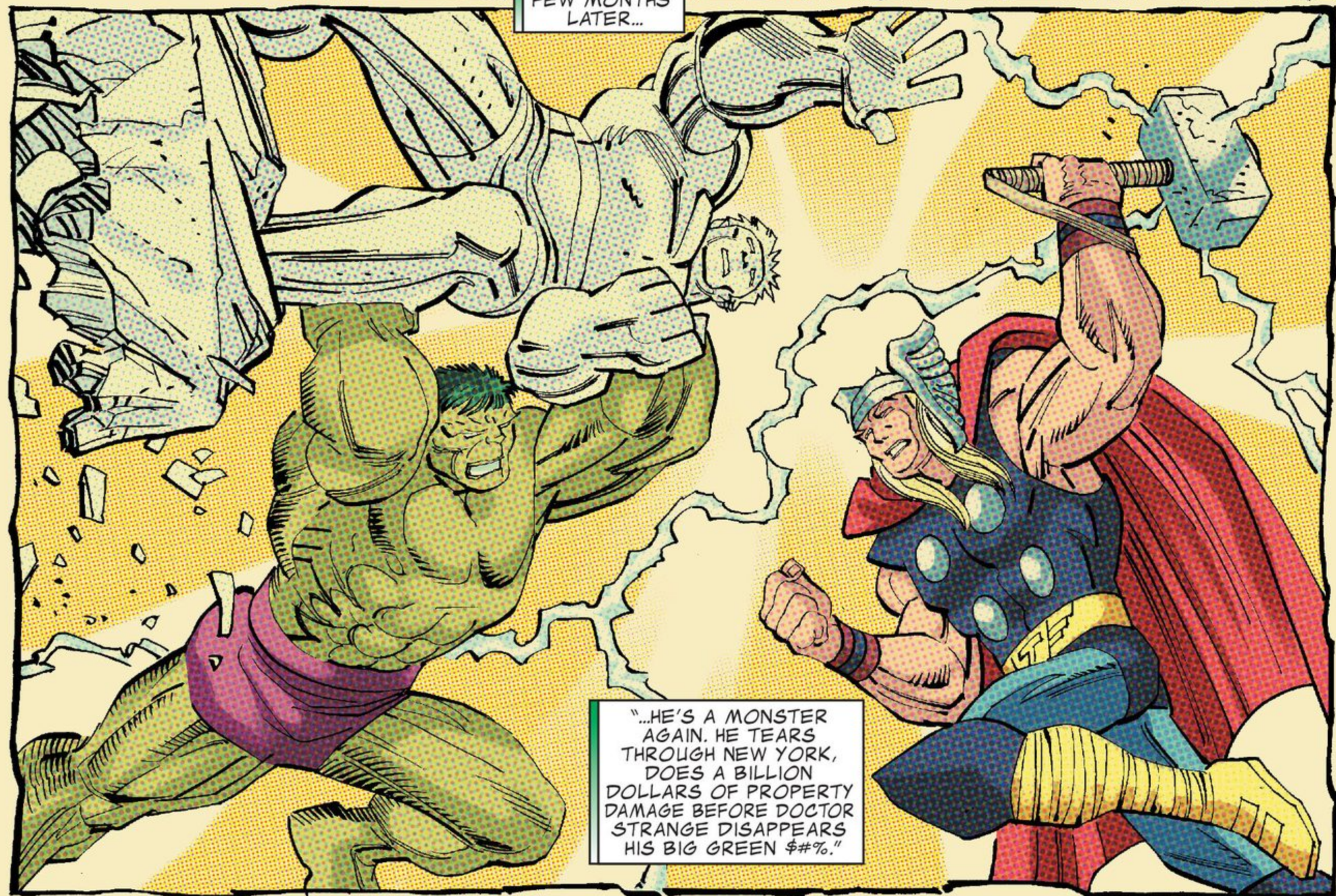
ONE DAY THE HULK SAVES THE EARTH FROM FLYING SAUCERS. SO THE PRESIDENT PARDONS HIM.

"THEY MAKE A STATUE
OF HIM FROM TEN TONS
OF PURE ADAMANTIUM.

"AND THE WHOLE
WORLD CALLS HIM
A HERO.



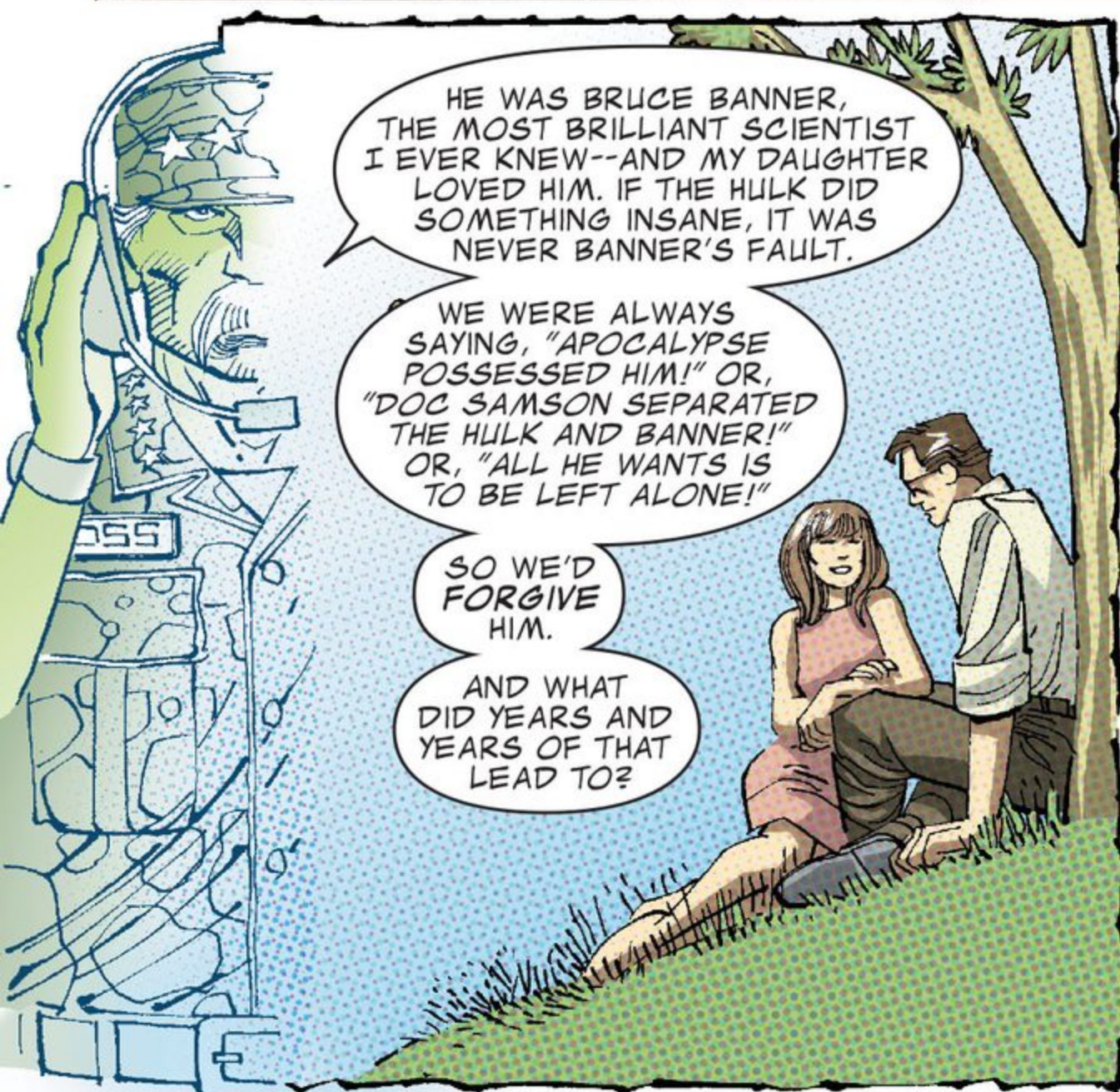
"AND THEN A
FEW MONTHS
LATER..."



"...HE'S A MONSTER
AGAIN. HE TEARS
THROUGH NEW YORK,
DOES A BILLION
DOLLARS OF PROPERTY
DAMAGE BEFORE DOCTOR
STRANGE DISAPPEARS
HIS BIG GREEN \$\$\$."



PEOPLE
MADE EXCUSES
FOR HIM. HELL, I
MADE EXCUSES.



HE WAS BRUCE BANNER,
THE MOST BRILLIANT SCIENTIST
I EVER KNEW--AND MY DAUGHTER
LOVED HIM. IF THE HULK DID
SOMETHING INSANE, IT WAS
NEVER BANNER'S FAULT.

WE WERE ALWAYS
SAYING, "APOCALYPSE
POSSESSED HIM!" OR,
"DOC SAMSON SEPARATED
THE HULK AND BANNER!"
OR, "ALL HE WANTS IS
TO BE LEFT ALONE!"

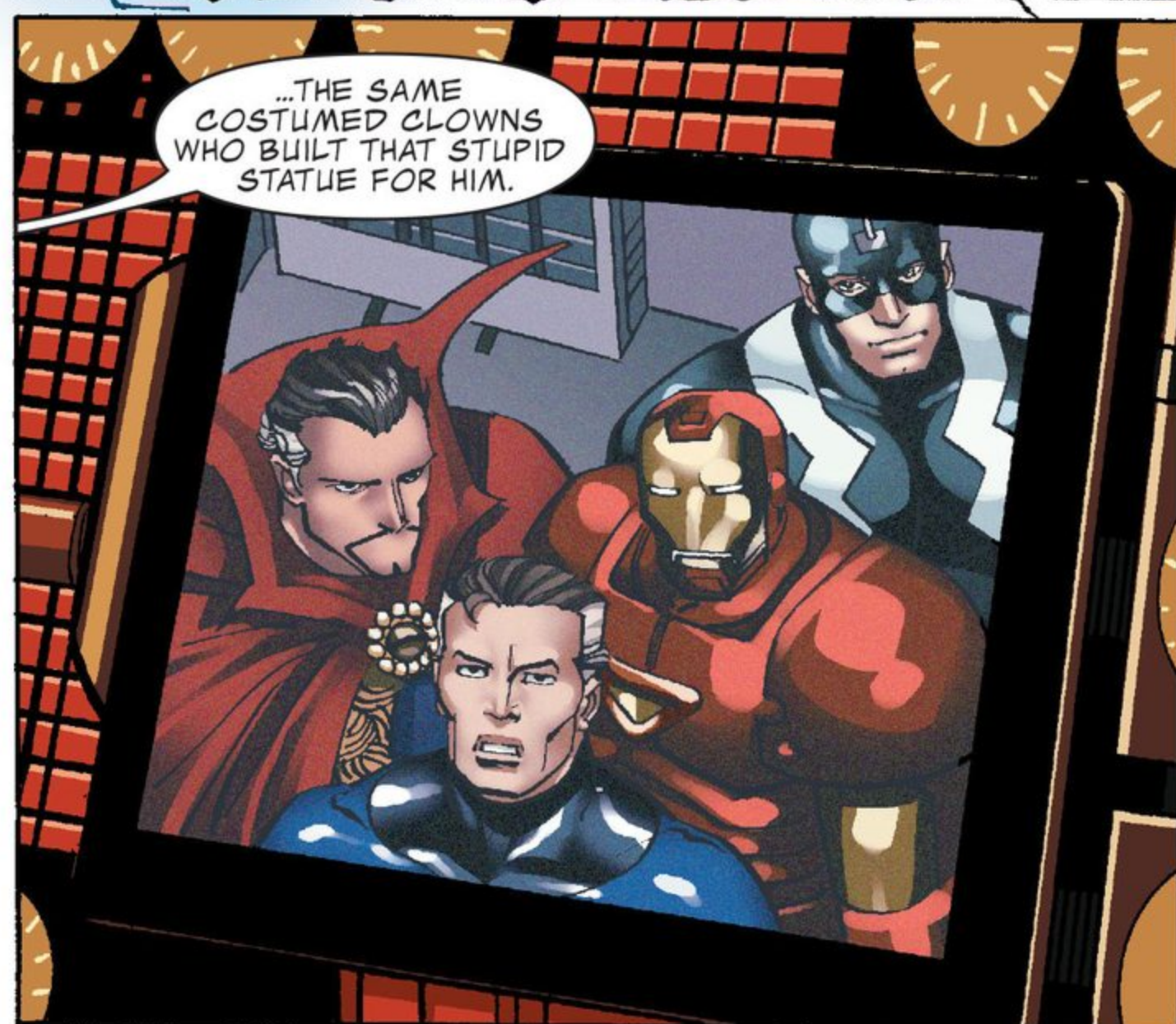
SO WE'D
FORGIVE
HIM.

AND WHAT
DID YEARS AND
YEARS OF THAT
LEAD TO?



MY DAUGHTER
IS DEAD.

AND NOW THE
HULK'S COME BACK
FROM A VACATION IN
SPACE WITH AN ARMY
OF ALIENS, DEMANDING
THE EVACUATION OF
MANHATTAN AND
THREATENING TO KILL
THE PLANET'S BIGGEST
SUPER HEROES...



...THE SAME
COSTUMED CLOWNS
WHO BUILT THAT STUPID
STATUE FOR HIM.



SO YOU'RE TELLING
ME THOSE FOOLS
DOWN THERE STILL
SAY HE'S A HERO?

FINE.

TELL 'EM WE'RE
SENDING THEIR PAL A
BRAND-NEW TEN-TON
ADAMANTIUM TRIBUTE...

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A full-page comic book illustration depicting a powerful impact. A large, green, armored figure, possibly a villain, is shown from the waist up, being struck by a massive, jagged lightning bolt. The figure's face is contorted in a scream of pain, with its mouth wide open. A large, red, stylized sound effect "AAAAAGH!" is positioned above the figure's head. The figure's armor is dark green with silver mechanical details, and its hands are green with yellow-tipped fingers. The background is a fiery orange and red explosion, with numerous white, jagged lines radiating from the point of impact, suggesting a powerful shockwave or energy release. The overall style is dynamic and intense, typical of high-action comic book art.

**THREE BLOCKS
AWAY!**

STEP BACK,
MISTER!

LOOK, I'M RICK JONES!
I'VE SPENT MORE TIME
WITH THE HULK THAN
ANYONE--

BOMBS CAN'T STOP HIM!
YOU'RE JUST GONNA MAKE
HIM MADDER!

HE CAN GET AS
MAD AS HE WANTS.
IT'S NOT GONNA DO
HIM MUCH GOOD--

--AFTER THOSE
ADAMANTIUM
SHARDS RIP EVERY
INCH OF FLESH
FROM HIS
BONES.

CHARLIE-THREE
TO ALL UNITS IN
THE SECOND
PERIMETER--

--BRING
ON THE
RAIN.

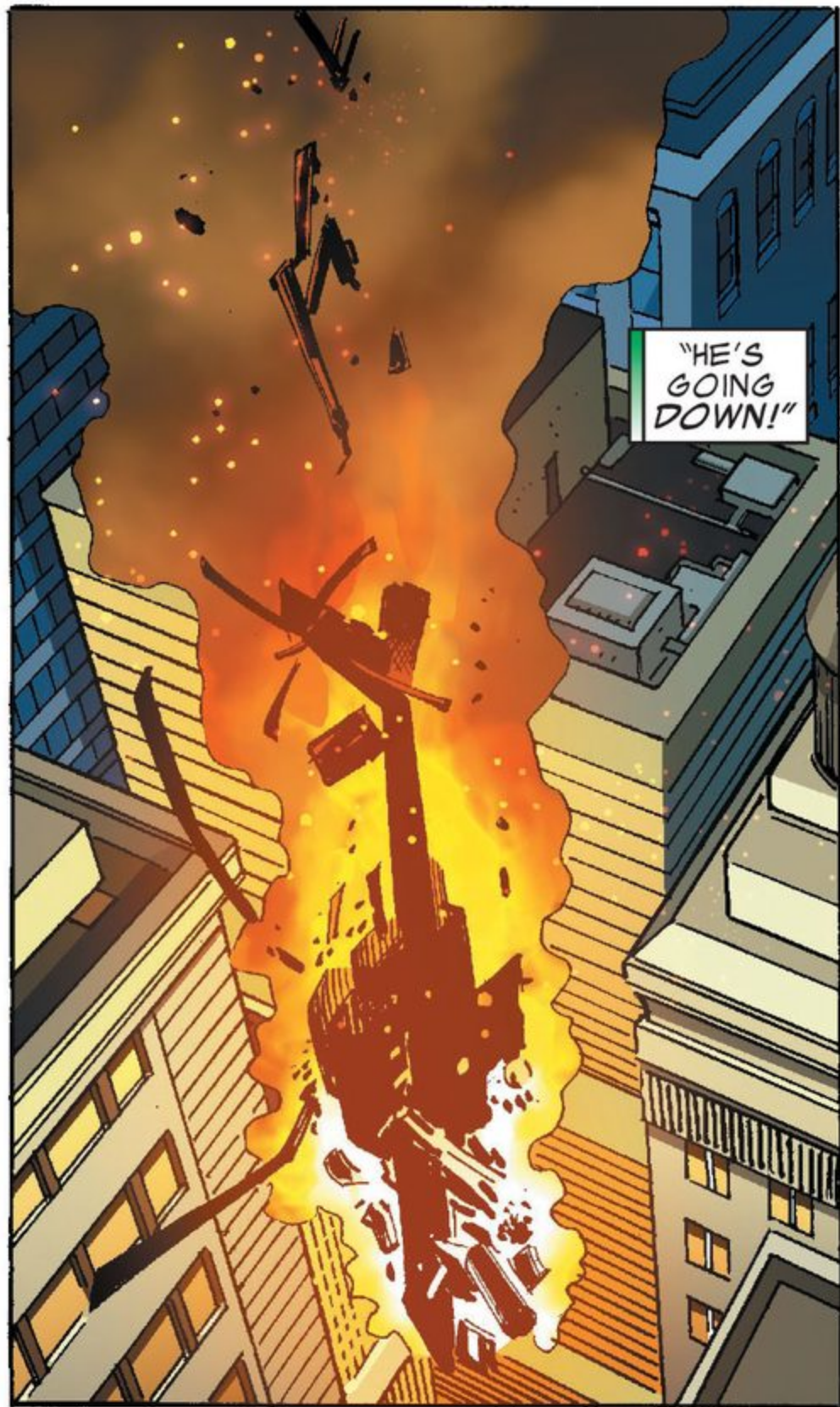
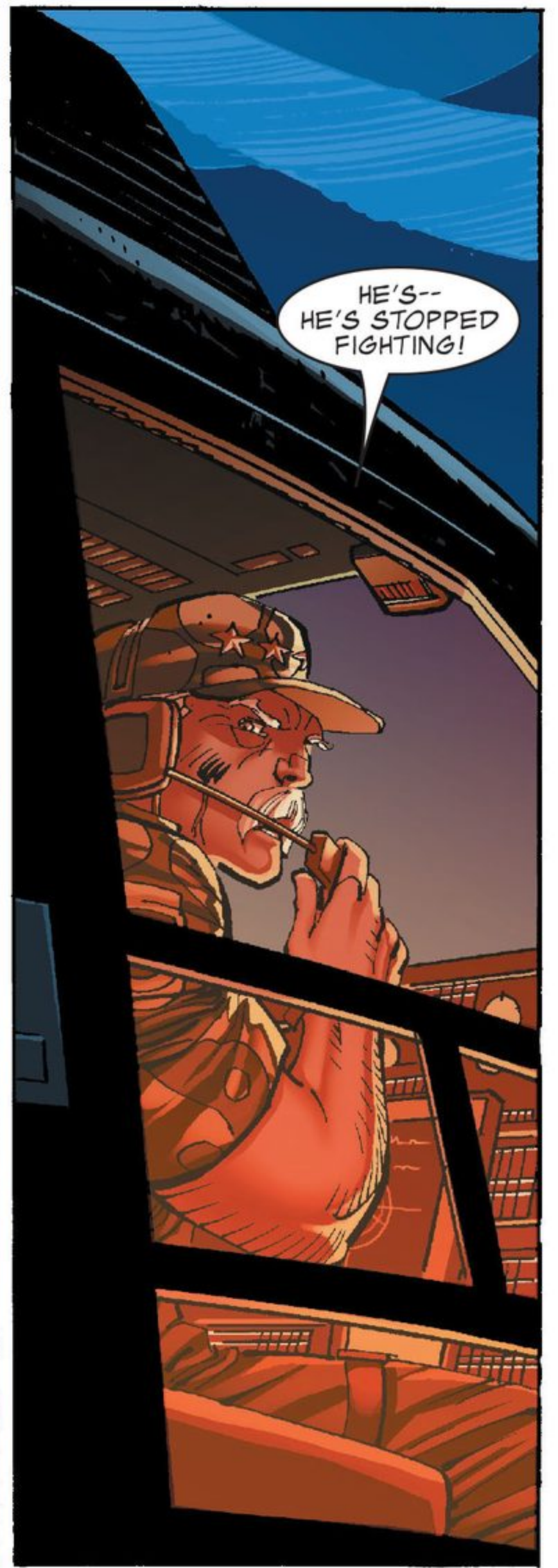
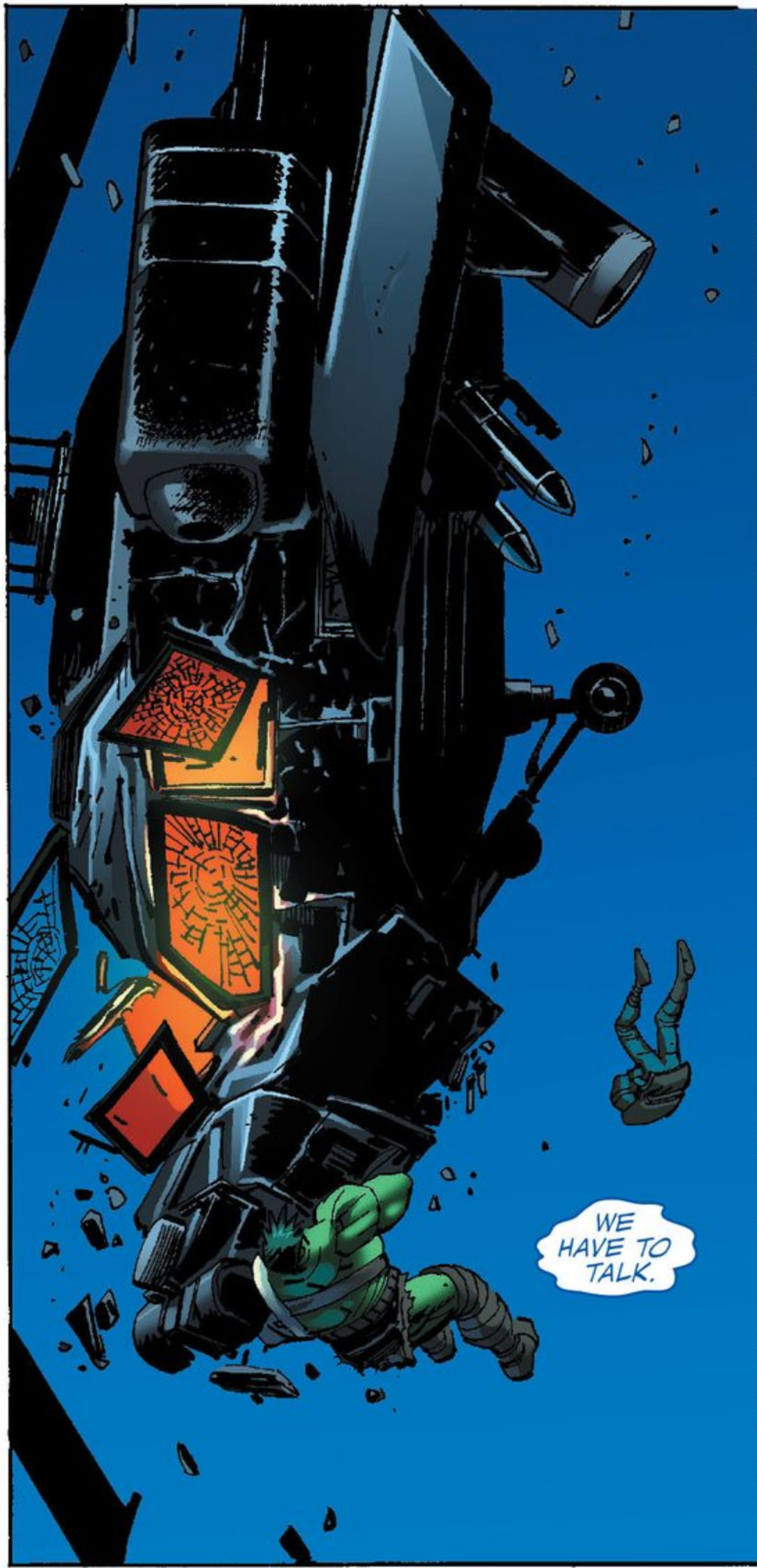
WHAKDOOOM!

GRAAA!

"THERE--"







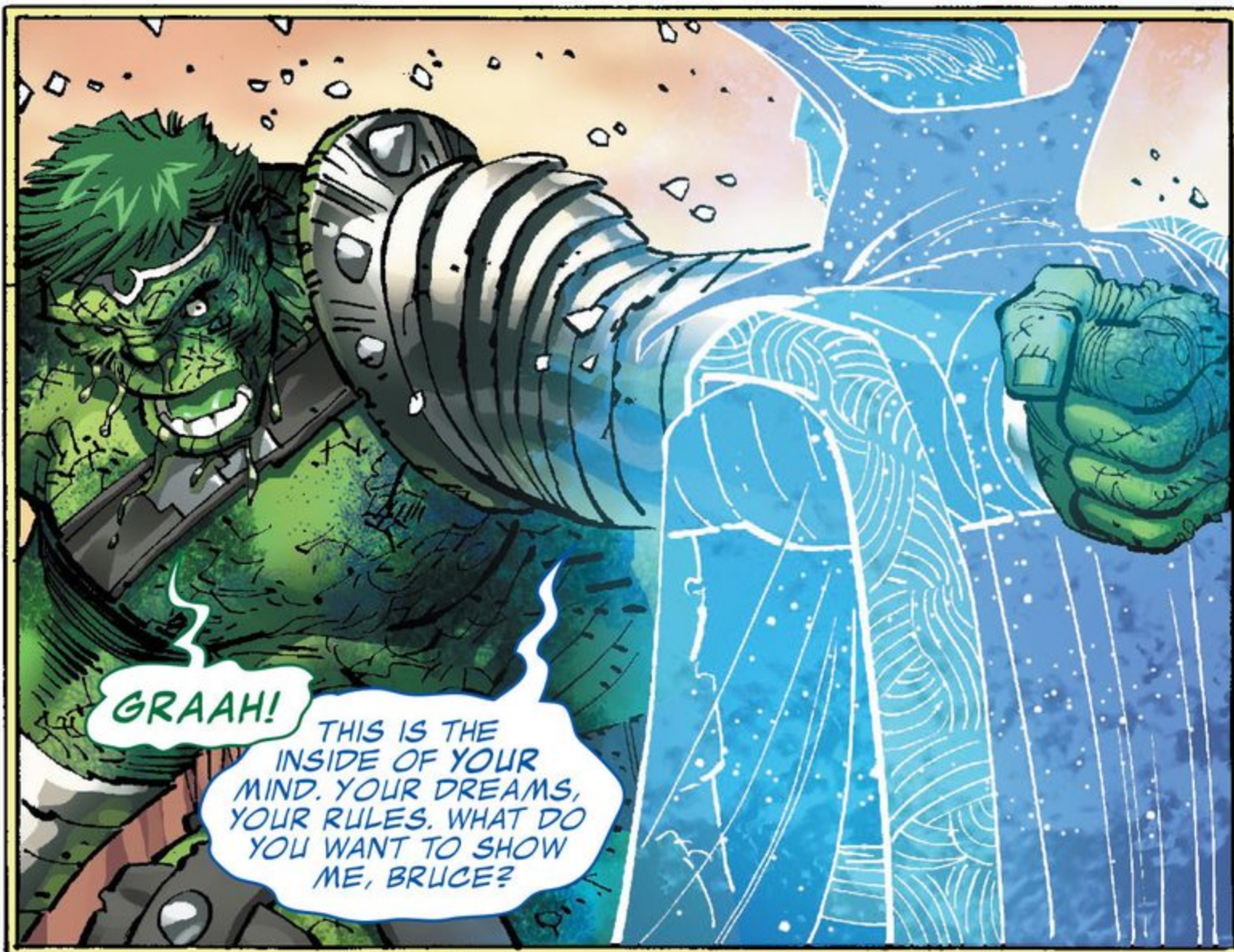


WHERE...

WHERE'D
YOU TAKE ME,
STRANGE?



THE QUESTION
IS WHERE YOU'VE
TAKEN ME.

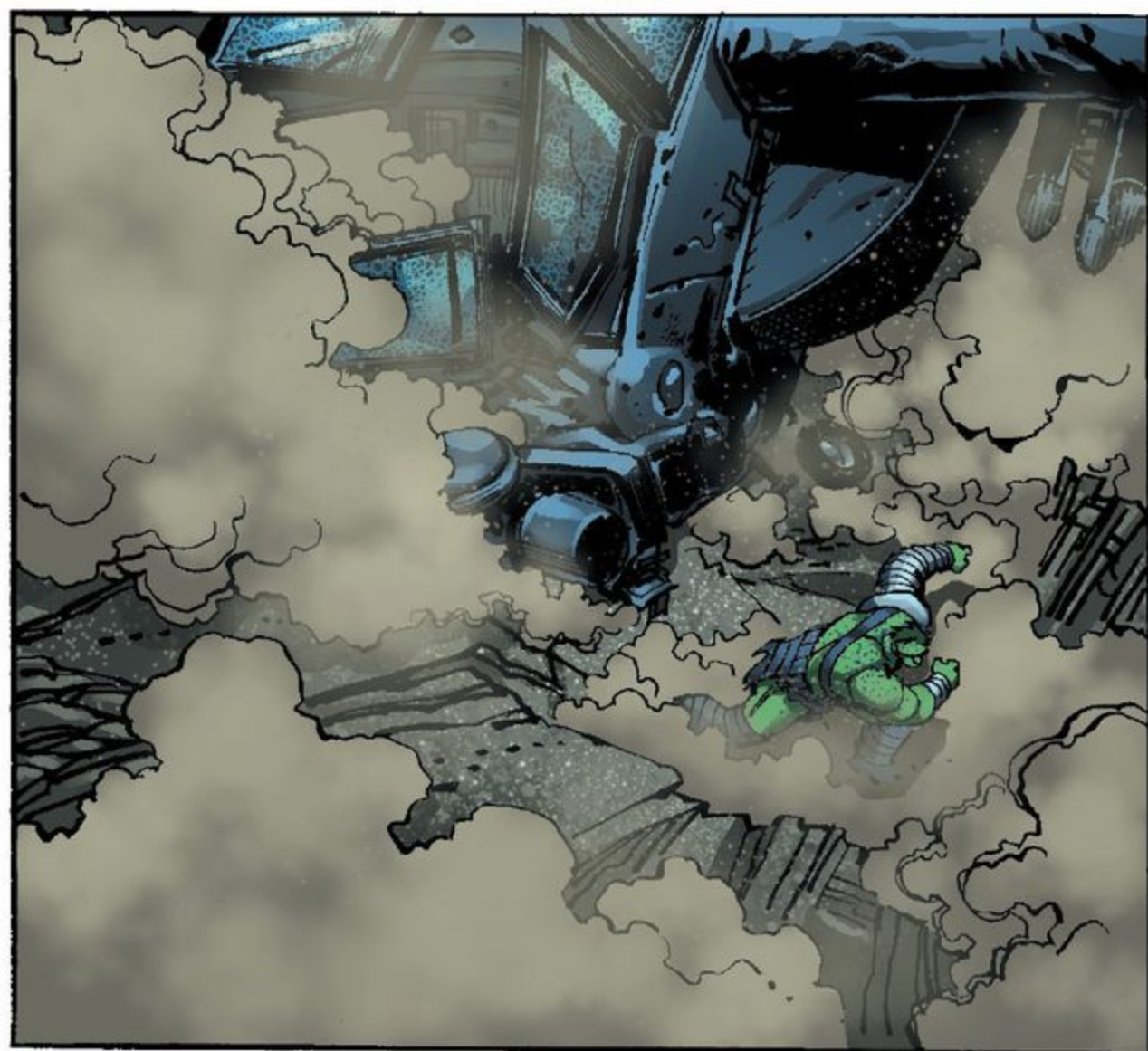


GRAAH!

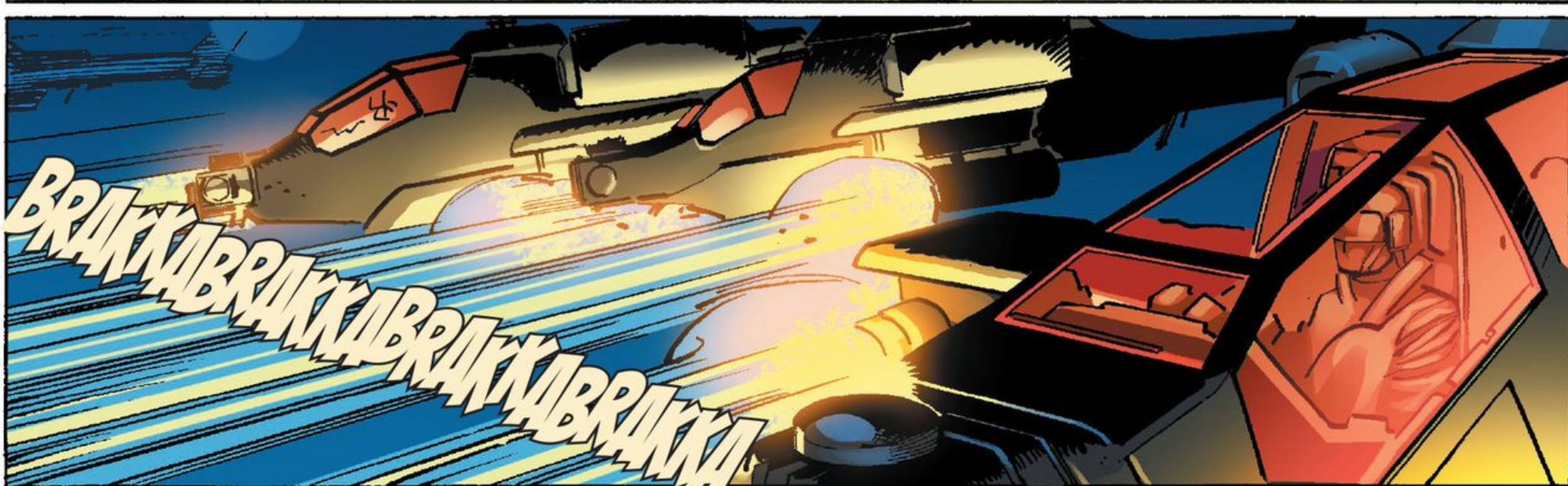
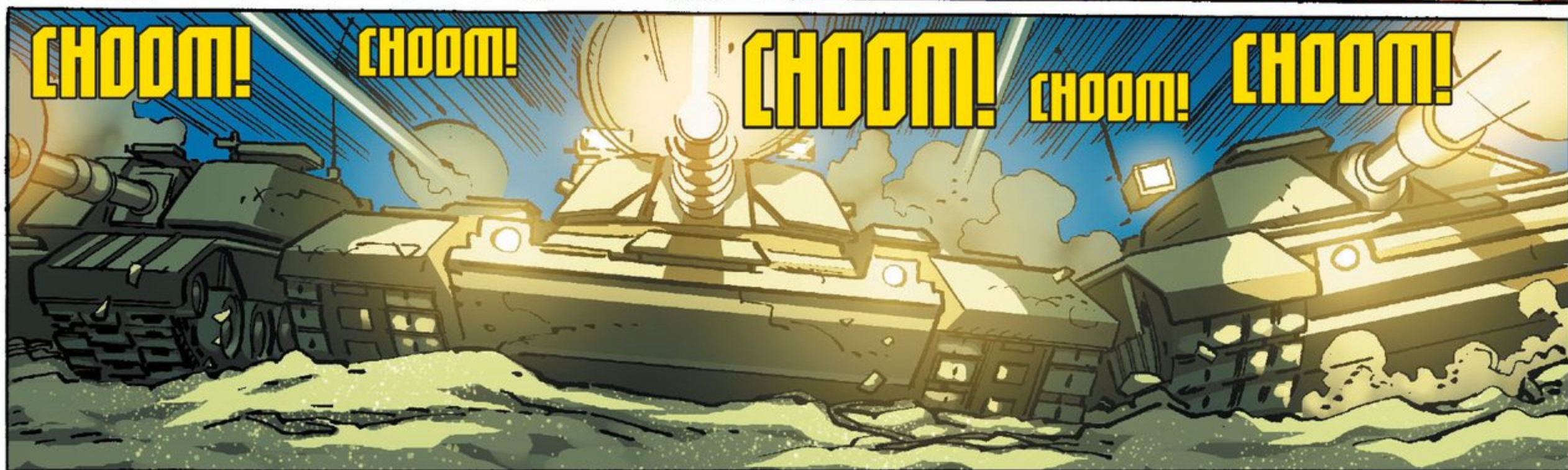
THIS IS THE
INSIDE OF YOUR
MIND. YOUR DREAMS,
YOUR RULES. WHAT DO
YOU WANT TO SHOW
ME, BRUCE?



DON'T
CALL ME
THAT!



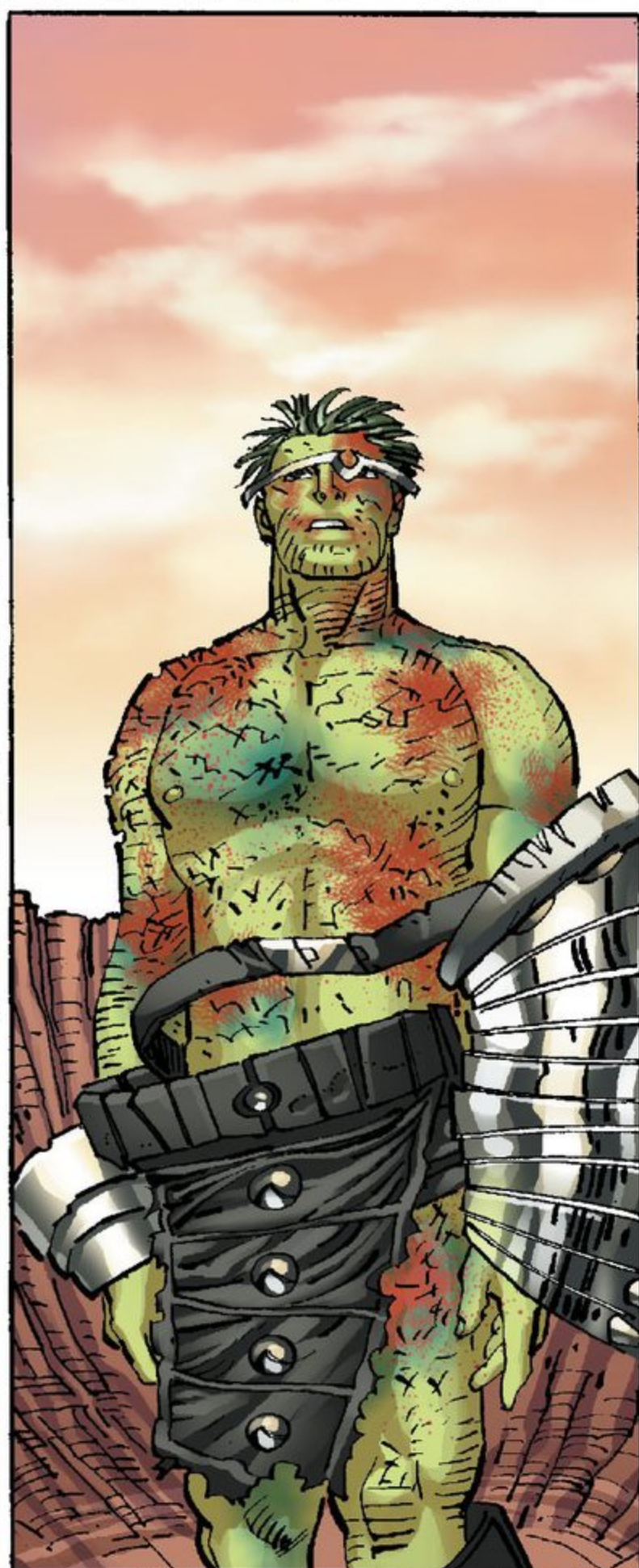
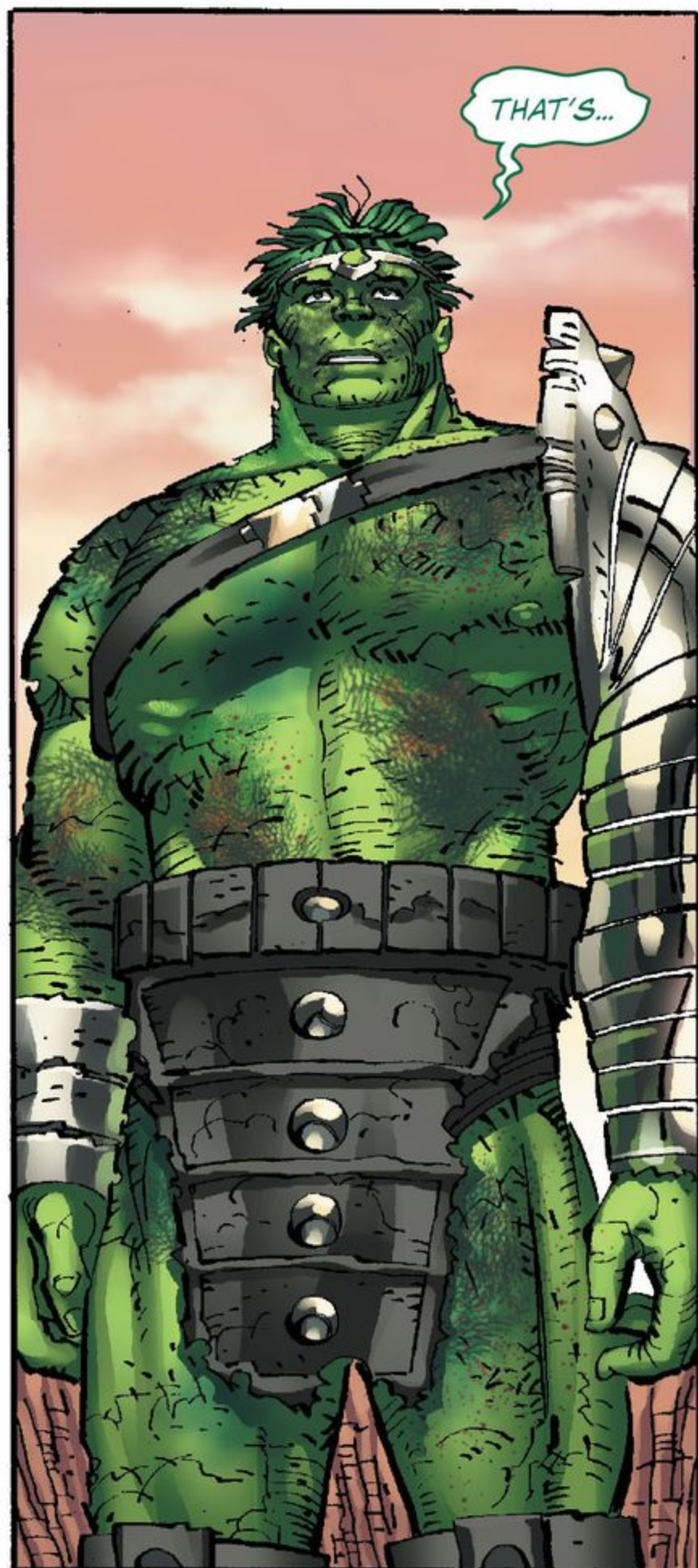
HE'S LOSING
IT, SIR. JUST
PUNCHING AT
THE AIR.



...YOUR ANGER
MEANS NOTHING
TO ME.

I AM THE
**SORCERER
SUPREME.**

I COULD SNUFF
THE FEEBLE FLAME
OF YOUR MORTAL
LIFE WITH THE
MEREST TWITCH
OF A FINGER.





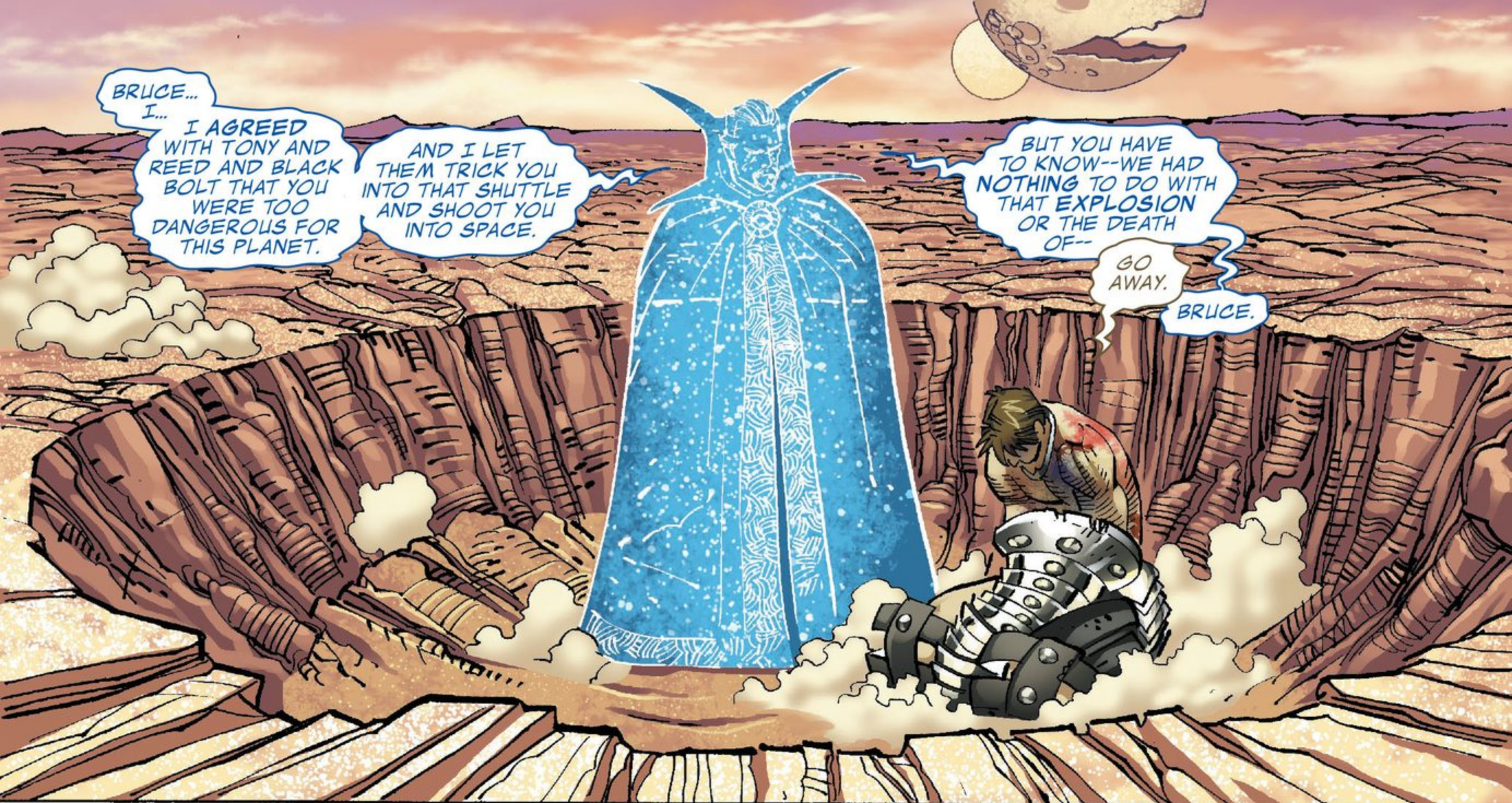
TELL ME.

HER NAME...

...WAS CAIERA.

AND I HEAR HER VOICE ALL THE TIME.





BRUCE...
I...

I AGREED
WITH TONY AND
REED AND BLACK
BOLT THAT YOU
WERE TOO
DANGEROUS FOR
THIS PLANET.

AND I LET
THEM TRICK YOU
INTO THAT SHUTTLE
AND SHOOT YOU
INTO SPACE.

BUT YOU HAVE
TO KNOW--WE HAD
NOTHING TO DO WITH
THAT EXPLOSION
OR THE DEATH
OF--

GO
AWAY.

BRUCE.



HOW LONG
HAVE WE KNOWN
EACH OTHER?

HOW MANY
BATTLES HAVE
WE FOUGHT, SIDE
BY SIDE?



LOOK
AT ME.

AND
TELL ME I'M
LYING.



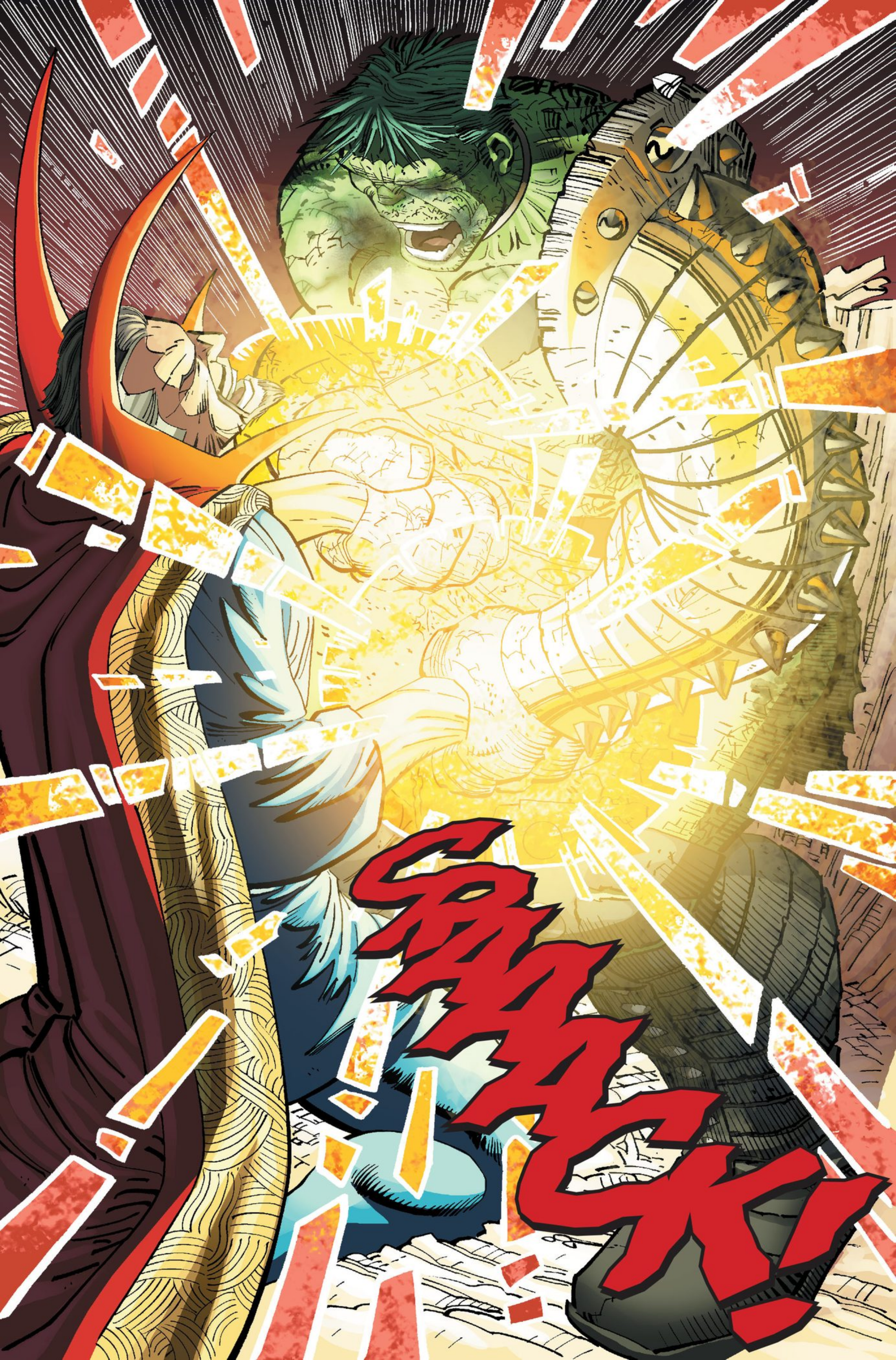
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STEPHEN...

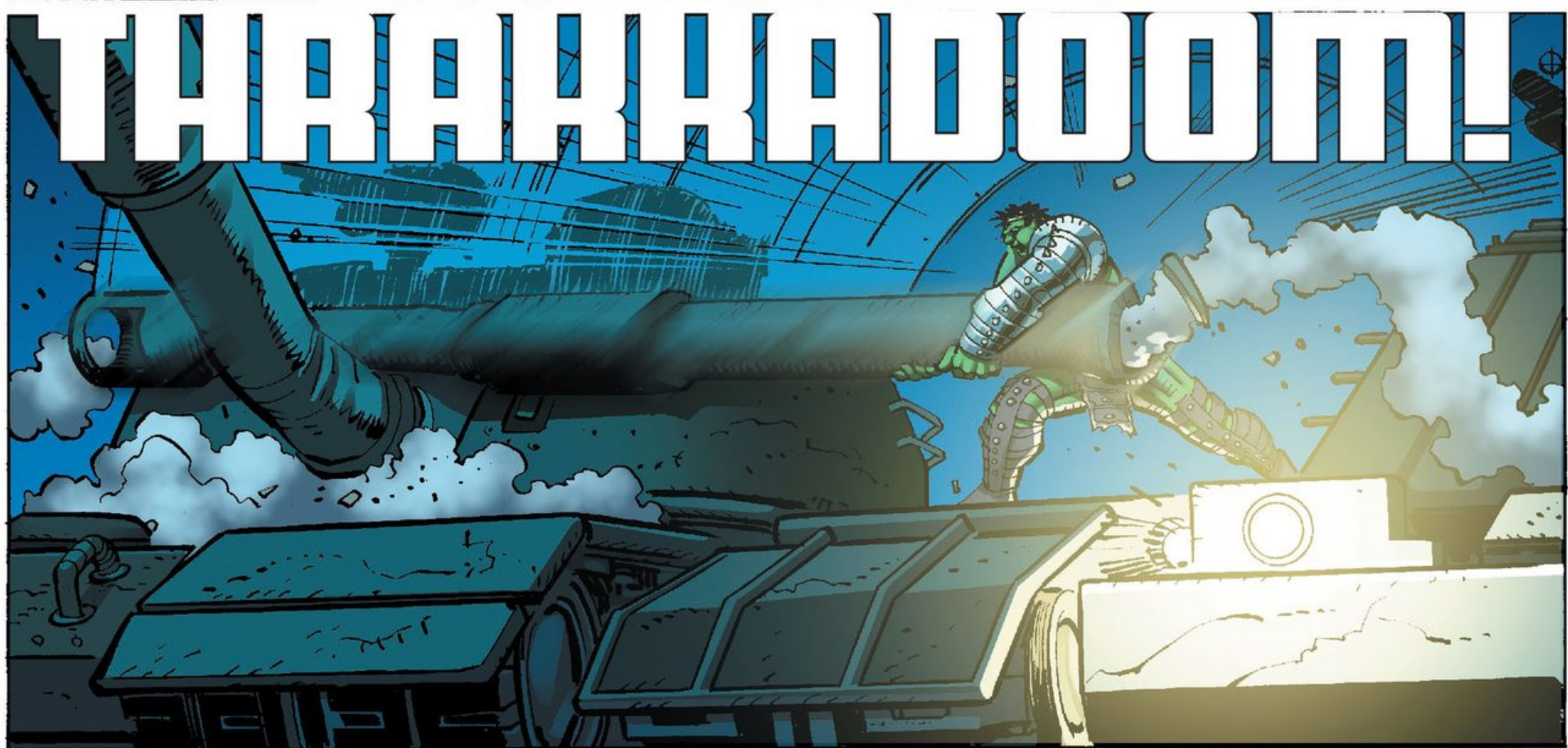


I HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN
YOUR FRIEND,
BRUCE.

AND
ALWAYS
WILL BE.









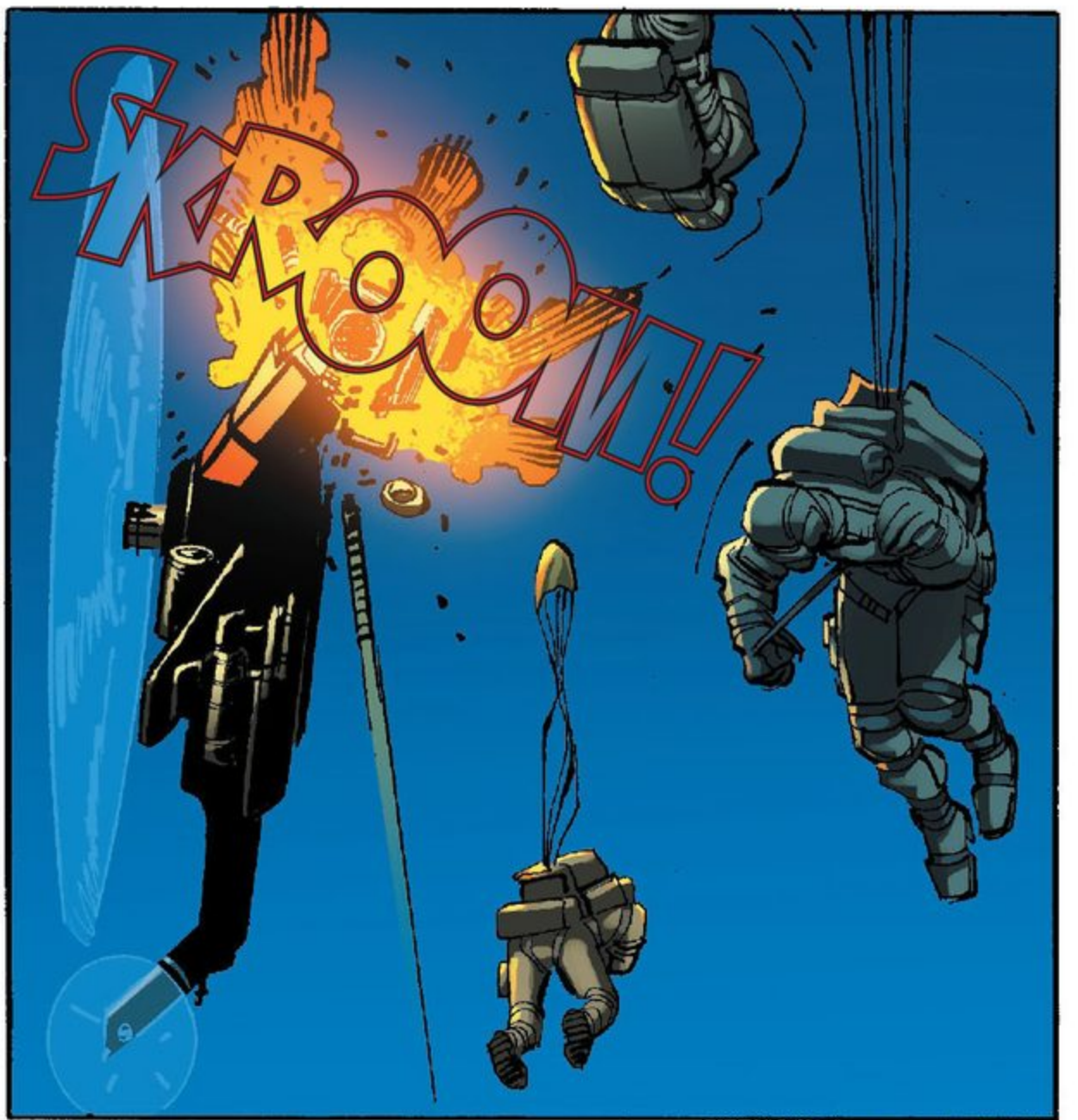
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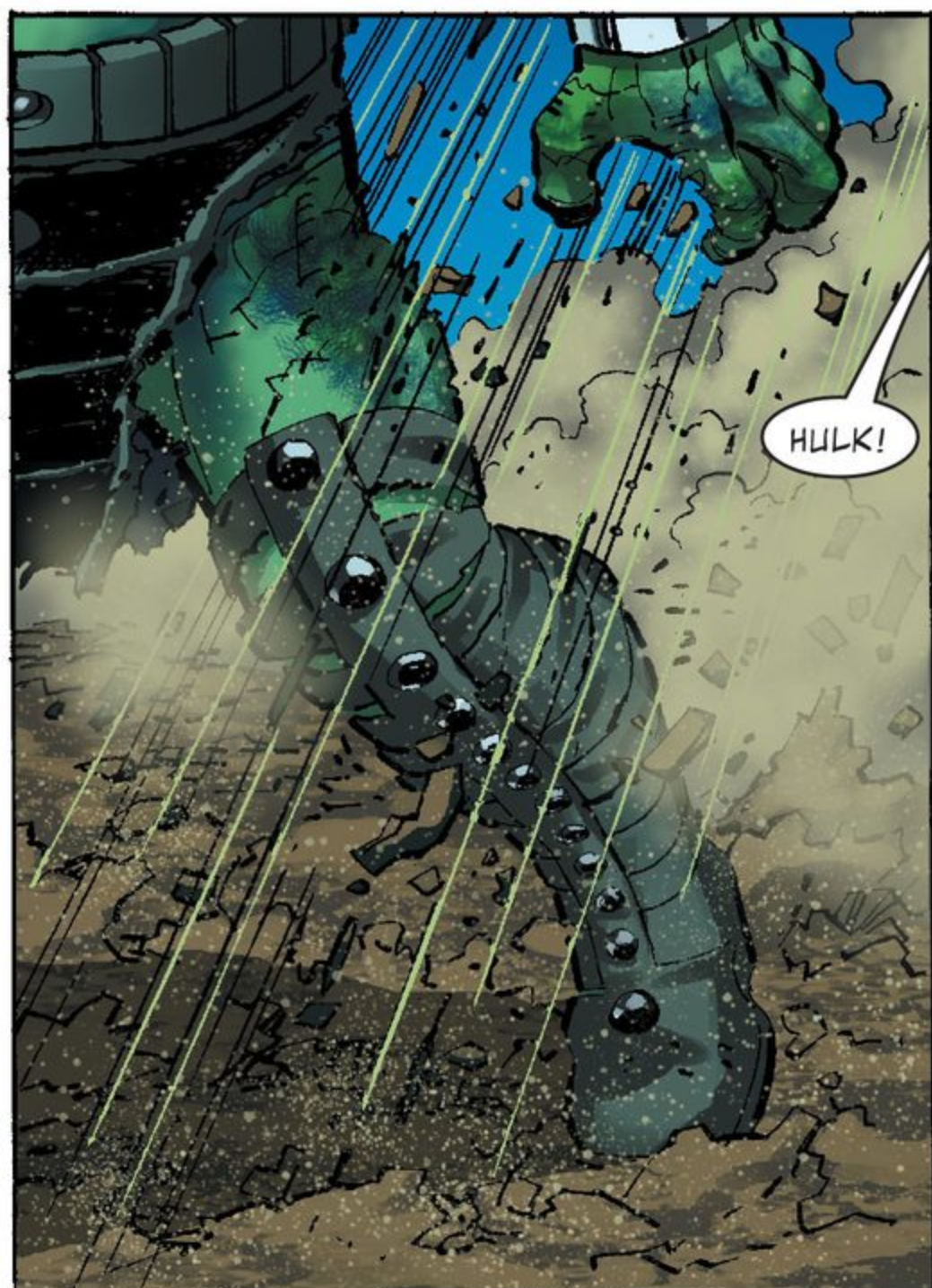


BADDOOM!



KCHOOOM!











TIME TO SHINE, SON.



AH...

YOU STILL THERE, BOB?



...

WHAT'S GOING ON?

JUST A MOMENT, SIR. THE CONSULTANTS ARE PREPARING SOME MORE SCRIPT FOR YOU--

THIS IS RIDICULOUS.

MR. PRESIDENT, PLEASE--

ALL RIGHT, REYNOLDS.

LISTEN UP, NOW. THESE EGGHEADS TELL ME YOU'RE NUTS--

SIR!



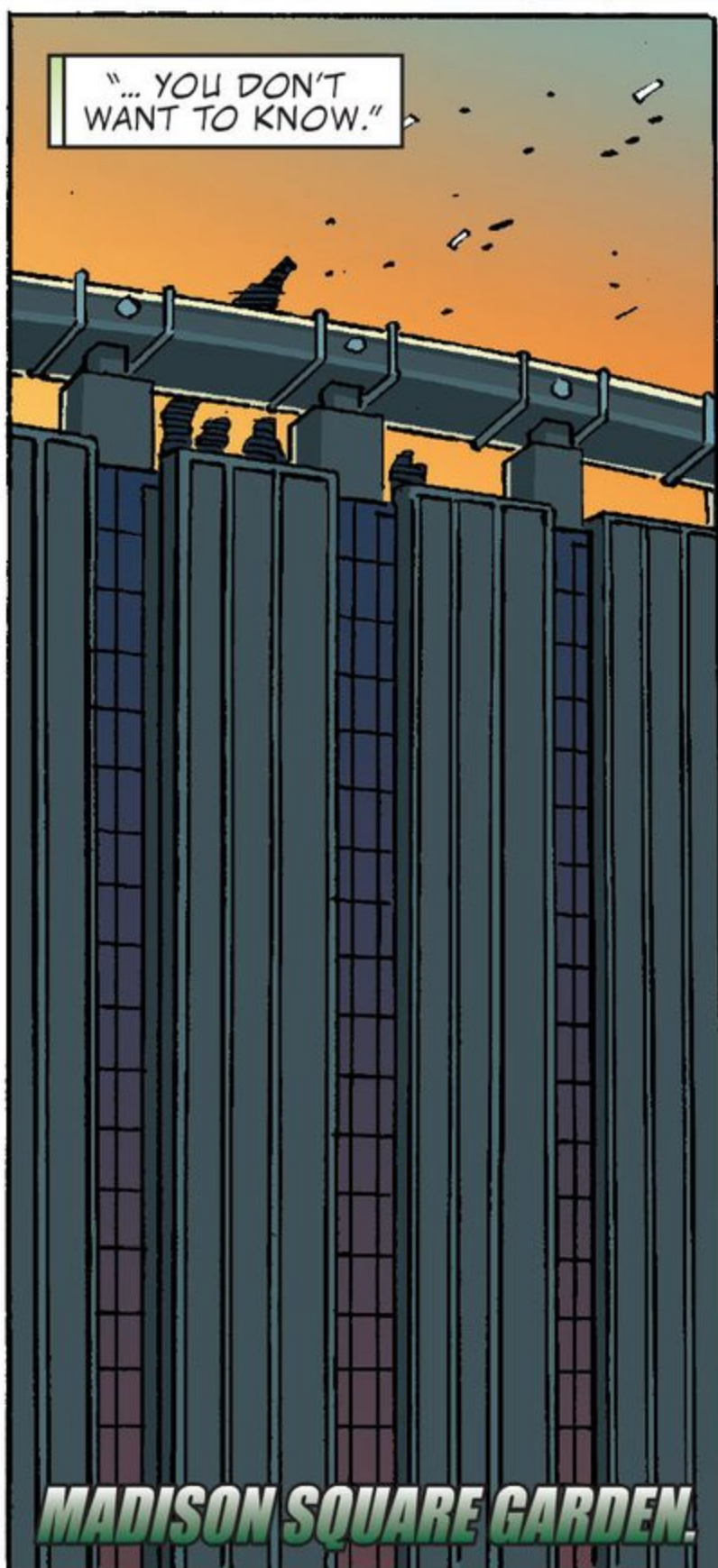
--BUT THEY ALSO TELL ME YOU'RE A HERO.

SO IT'S TIME TO SHAKE THE SCHIZO ACT AND DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE!

NOW LET'S GO!



WE'RE \$%#@ED.







DOC! DOC
STRANGE! IT'S
ME, RICK JONES!
ARE YOU--

DIRTY
LITTLE
LIAR.



WHOA!
ELLOE! NICE
TO SEE YOU
AGAIN SO
SOON--

YESTERDAY YOU
SAID YOU'RE THE
HULK'S FRIEND.
AND NOW YOU'RE
TRYING TO WARN
THE MAGICIAN?



WHAT MAGICIAN?
THIS IS A COFFEE
SHOP.

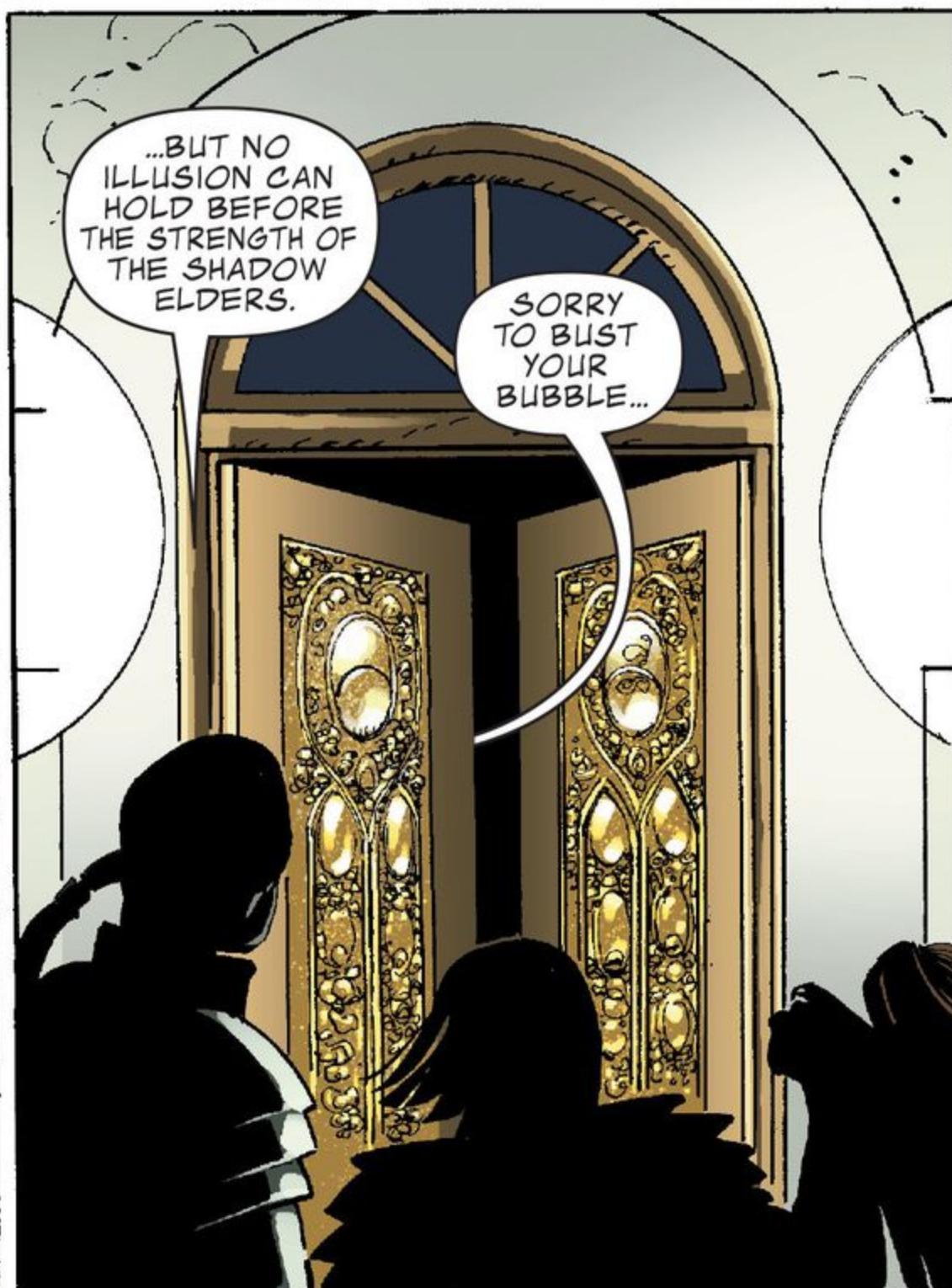
YOU KNOW, COFFEE. YOU
HAVE IT IN THE MORNING, WITH
DONUTS AND--

HIROM,
DO YOU
UNDERSTAND
A WORD THIS
HUMAN IS
SAYING?

HMP.



THESE
ENCHANTMENTS
ARE STRONG...

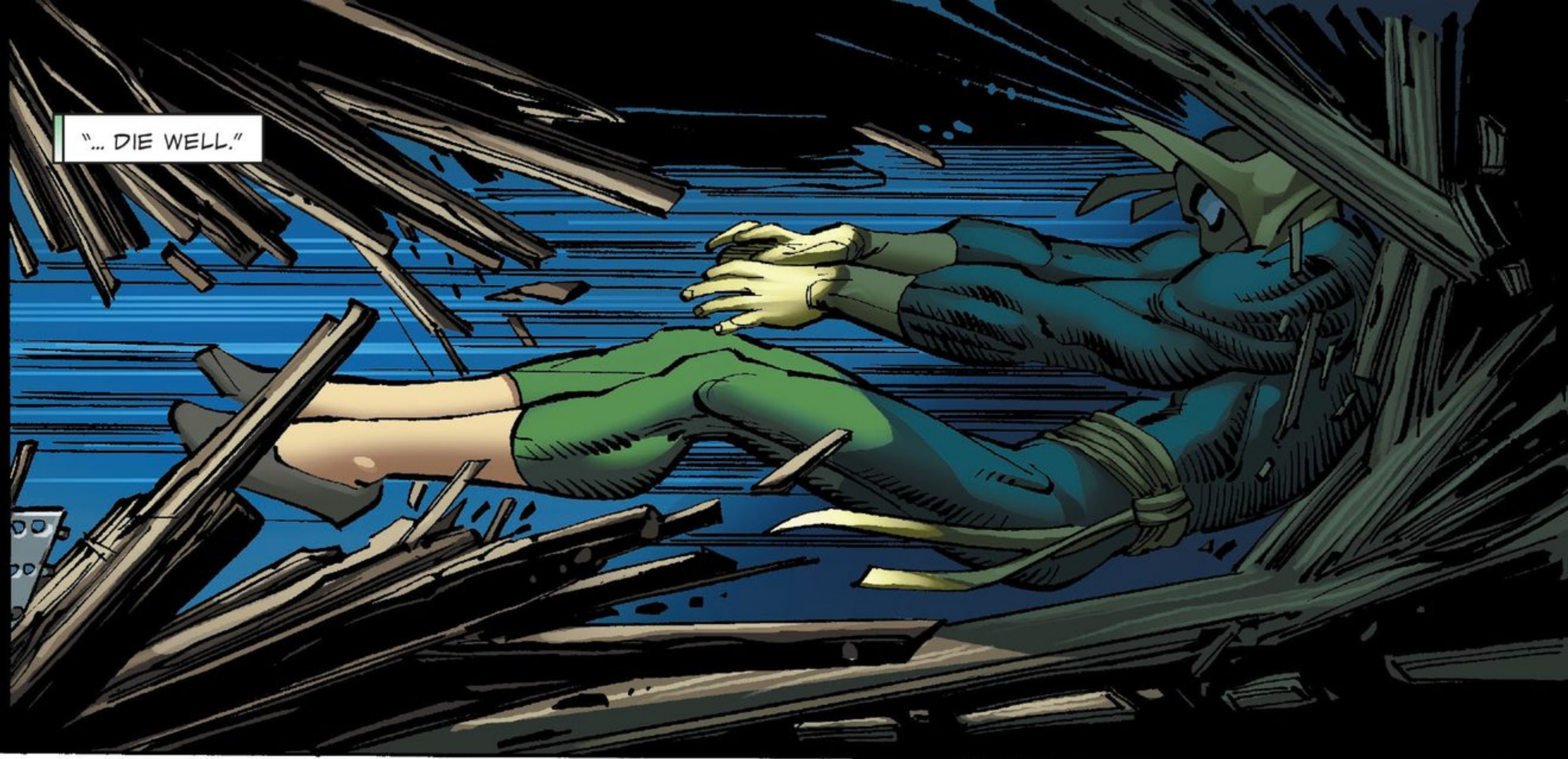


...BUT NO
ILLUSION CAN
HOLD BEFORE
THE STRENGTH OF
THE SHADOW
ELDERS.

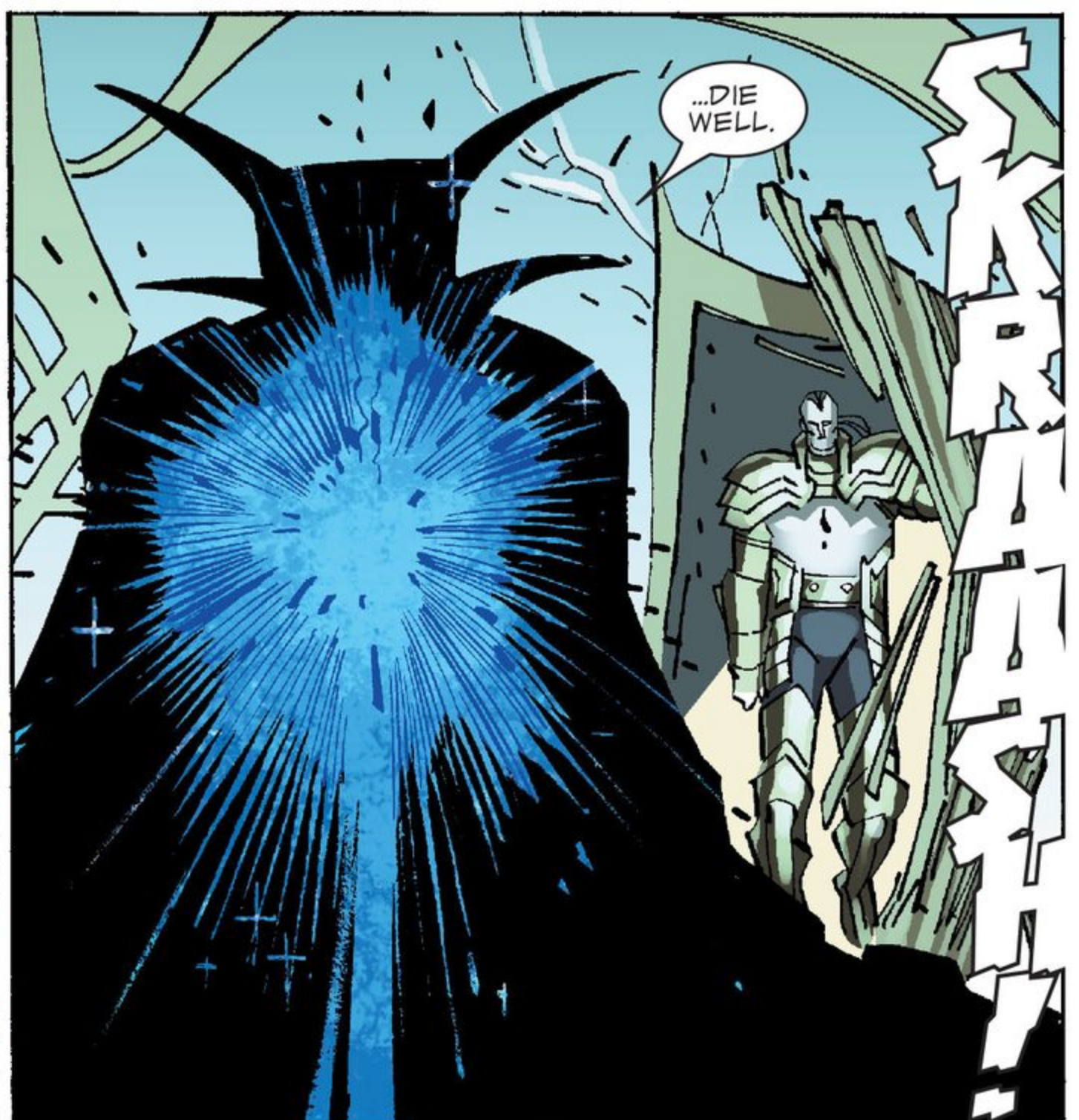
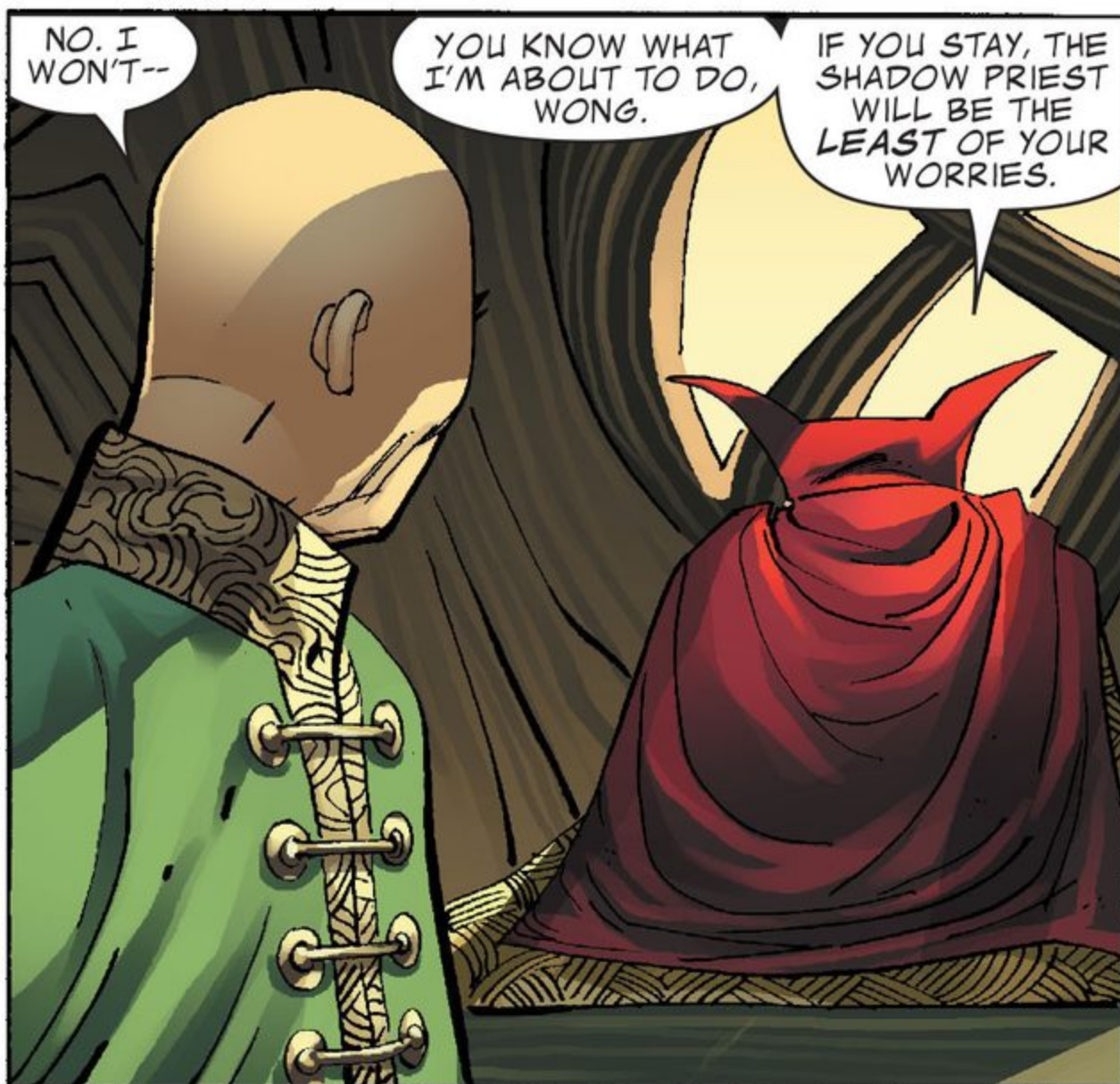
SORRY
TO BUST
YOUR
BUBBLE...













MADISON SQUARE GARDEN.

BRUCE,
FOR GOD'S
SAKE!

SHUT UP,
HUMAN.



YOU TRIED TO WARN THE
GREEN SCAR'S ENEMIES.
NOW YOU'LL GET WHAT
YOU DESERVE.

COME
ON, BRUCE,
GLADIATOR
FIGHTS? THIS
IS INSANE!



I'LL TELL
YOU WHAT'S
INSANE.

TAKING THE
GREATEST HERO
YOUR PLANET
EVER SAW...

...AND
SHOOTING
HIM INTO
SPACE.



YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND,
MIEK. HE WAS
OUT OF CONTROL.
THEY WERE HIS
FRIENDS. THEY
WERE TRYING
TO HELP HIM.

THEIR SHUTTLE EXPLODED.
KIK KILLED A MILLION
PEOPLE--KILLED HIS QUEEN,
KILLED HIS CHILD.

YOU
CALL THAT
HELP?





...BECAUSE HE IS THE
WORLDBREAKER.



SO
COME, LITTLE
HUMAN.
IT'S TIME
TO MAKE AN
END TO--



WHA-KOON!



NOT
JUST YET...



...FIRST...

...STRANGE
SMASH.

